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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 10, 2006, the period for reply being extended to May 10, 2006 by the Petition for One-Month Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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